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Appeal No. 1998-3248 Application No. 08/325,219

ORDER REMANDING TO THE EXAMINER

This application is being remanded to the Examiner for consideration of Paper No. 9, entitled "Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement" (IDS) filed January 31, 1996, with respect to the compliance of the criteria set forth in 37 CFR §§ 1.97 and 1.98. A communication notifying applicants of the Examiner's decision is required.

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Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the application is remanded to the examiner for such consideration of the Supplemental IDS and appropriate notification to applicants.

It is important that the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences be informed promptly of any action affecting the status of the appeal (i.e., abandonment, issue, reopening prosecution).

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